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Summary Information

Repository	Rare Books and Manuscripts
Creator	Robinson, Solon, 1803-1880
Title	Lake County collection
Date	1836-1955
Extent	0.7 Cubic feet 1 manuscript box, 1 oversize folder
Language	English

Preferred Citation

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Administrative History

Lake County, Indiana was created out of the counties of Porter and Newton in 1836 (remaining attached to Porter County until February 15, 1837, at which time it became an independent county), by acts of the Indiana State General Assembly. It was named for its location on Lake Michigan. On April 6, 1837, it was divided into three townships; North, Center, and South. Its county seat was originally in Liverpool but, due to the dissatisfaction of many residents, was relocated to Lake Court House in 1840 (later renamed and incorporated in 1868 as Crown Point). There are now twelve townships.

Sources:

Information found within the collection.

"Lake County." Lake County Historical Museum. Retrieved 2015/06/12, http://www.cpcourthouse.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=2&Itemid=3

"Lake County." Lake County, Indiana Government. Retrieved 2015/06/12. <http://www.lakecountyin.org/portal/media-type/html/user/anon/page/townships>

Scope and Contents

This collection includes autographed, signed correspondence from Solon Robinson and others in Indiana ranging from 1836 to 1919 regarding county organization and government and military service; typed commissioners minutes and court records and other government documents in Lake County, Indiana ranging from 1837 to 1936 regarding county government and official business; typed and autographed histories of Lake County and communities from 1836 to 1955 and undated; typed records of businesses, industries and organizations in Lake County, Indiana from 1943 to 1949 and undated, regarding history, organization and activities; publication dated 1931/31/03 regarding Kirkland murder case; and a typed directory from 1839.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged alphabetically.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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This collection is open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

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Custodial History

This collection was received by Rare Books and Manuscripts as donations from Orpha M. Peters on 1932/04/16; Gary Public Library; 1934/03/24 Myrtle Huehn on 1934/07/23; Gary Public Library on 1935/03/02; Claribel C. Bevan on 1955/10/16; William J. Hamilton on 1991/02/21.

Accruals

No further additions are expected.

Processing Information

Collection processing completed 2015/06/12 by Edythe Huffman. EAD finding aid created 2015/06/12 by Edythe Huffman.

Controlled Access Headings

Geographic Name(s)

- Gary (Ind.)

Personal Name(s)

- Lester, J. W. (John William)
- Draves, Arlene
- Hamilton, William J.
- Huehn, Myrtle
- Kirkland, Virgil

Subject(s)

- Correspondence
- Indiana--Politics and government--19th century
- Indiana--Politics and government--20th century
- Lake County (Ind.)--History--19th century
- Lake County (Ind.)--History--20th century
- Minutes (Records)
- Trials (Murder)--Indiana

Series 1: Historical documents, 1836-1955 and undated

Collection Inventory

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	Box	Folder
Calumet Township records, 1899-1911	1	1
Census records, 1840 and 1850	1	2
Commissioner's Court documents, 1848-1851	1	3
Commissioner's minutes, 1837-1848	1	4
Companies, industries and organizations documents, 1943-1949	1	5
Correspondence, 1838-1919	1	6
Solon Robinson correspondence, 1836 and 1844	1	7
County seat location, 1839	1	8
Delinquent tax lists, 1837-1840	1	9
Government reports, 1882 and 1936	1	10
History documents, 1887-1914	1	11

Series 2: Oversize historical documents, 1851

Bessville (Myrtle Huehn) documents, undated	1	12
Crown Point documents, 1955/10/16	1	13
William J. Hamilton, "Early Days in Merrillville" documents, 1836-1935	1	14
Gary narrative, undated	1	15
Hammond (Myrtle Huehn) documents, 1934 July	1	16
Schools (J. W. Lester) documents, undated	1	17
Kirkland (murder) case documents, 1931	1	18
Miscellaneous, 1937/04/01 and undated	1	19
Rural Directory and Record Book, 1939	1	20

Series 2: Oversize historical documents, 1851

	Oversize	Folder
General Land Office warranty deeds, 1851	OB1	4